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AT the Court at St. *James*'s, the 5th of *February*, 1781,

PRESENT,

The KING's Moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council

SHERIFFS appointed by His Majeſty in Council for the Year 1781, viz.

Berkſhire,	Edward Loveden Loveden, of Buſcot, Eſq;
Bedfordſhire,	John Harvey, of Northill, Eſq;
Bucks,	Joſeph Bullock, of Caversfield, Eſq;
Cumberland,	Thomas Storey, of Mirehouſe, Eſq;
Cheſhire,	William Davenport, of Bramhall, Eſq;
Camb' & Hunt'	John Johnſon, of Leverington, Eſq;
Cornwall,	Sir John St Aubin, of Clowance, Bart.
Devonſhire,	John Burridge Cholwich, of Farringdon, Eſq;
Dorſetſhire,	Lewis Dymock Groſvenor Tregonnell, of Dorcheſter, Eſq;
Derbyſhire,	Samuel Frith, of Bank Hall, Eſq;
Eſſex,	Richard Wyatt, of Hornchurch, Eſq;
Glouceſterſhire,	John Morris, of Shephouſe, Eſq;
Hertfordſhire,	Thomas Clutterbuck the Younger, of Watford, Eſq;
Herefordſhire,	Edmund Patteſhall, of Allenſmoor, Eſq;
Kent,	John Cator, of Beckenham, Eſq;
Leiceſterſhire,	Edmund Cradock Hartopp, of Newbold, Eſq;
Lincolnſhire,	Edward Nelthorpe, of Scawby, Eſq;
Monmouthſhire,	William Jones, of Naſh, Eſq;
Northumberland,	Charles Brandling, of Gosforthhouſe, Eſq;
Northamptonſhire,	Nicolls Raynsford, of Brixworth, Eſq;
Norfolk,	Robert Lee Doughty, of Hanworth, Eſq;
Nottinghamſhire,	Lancelot Rolleſton, of Watnall, Eſq;
Oxfordſhire,	Richard Paul Jodrell, of Lewknor, Eſq;
Rutlandſhire,	Thomas Saunders, of Mercott, Eſq;
Shropſhire,	Edward Charles Windſor, of Harnage Grange, Eſq;
Somerſetſhire,	John Ford, of Hadſpen, Eſq;
Staffordſhire,	Philip Keay, of Abbots Bromley, Eſq;
Suffolk,	Charles Kent, of Fornham St. Genoveve, Eſq;
Southampton,	Benjamin Smith, of Lys, Eſq;
Surrey,	William Northey, of Epſom, Eſq;
Suſſex,	William Peachey, of Kirdford, Eſq;
Warwickſhire,	John Webb, of Sherbourne, Eſq;
Worceſterſhire,	John Darke, of Bredon, Eſq;
Wiltſhire,	William Hayter, of Newton Toney, Eſq;
Yorkſhire,	Humphrey Oſbaldeſton, of Hunmanby, Eſq;

SOUTH WALES.

Brecon,	Lewis Williams, of Pentwyn, Eſq;
Carmarthen,	Sir William Manſell, of Iſcoed, Bart.
Cardigan,	David Lloyd, of Altyroden, Eſq
Glamorgan,	Charles Bowen, of Merthyrmawr, Eſq;
Pembroke,	Henry Scourfield, of Robeſton Hall, Eſq;
Radnor,	Jonathan Bowen, of Knighton, Eſq;

NORTH WALES.

Angleſey,	John Bodychan Sparrow, of Redhill, Eſq;
Carnarvon,	Edward Carreg, of Carreg, Eſq;
Denbigh,	The Honourable Thomas Fitzmaurice, of Leweny, Eſq;
Flint,	Henry Thrale, of Bachegrig, Eſq;
Merioneth,	Edward Lloyd, of Maeſmore, Eſq;
Montgomeryſhire,	Hugh Mears, of Finnant, Eſq;

Whitehall, February 4, 1781.

THE following is Extract of a Letter from the Honorable Major-General Vaughan, Commander in Chief of His Majeſty's Forces in the Leeward Iſlands, to Lord George Germain, One of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State: Received by the Hornet Sloop of War.

Sandwich, off St. Lucia, December 22, 1780.

I HAVE the Honor to inform your Lordſhip, That the Admiral and myſelf, having many Reports made to us of the ruinous State of the Iſland of St. Vincent, in conſequence of the Hurricane, and being ever anxious for the Recovery of any of His Majeſty's Poſſeſſions, we judged it proper, as the Fleet was going to cruize, to ſee with what Foundation theſe Reports were made, and whether any Advantage could be taken of their Situation: We therefore embarked 300 of the Flank Corps, and appeared off the Iſland on the 16th, and with them landed the Body of Marines, whom I marched Four Miles up the Country, to be able to reconnoitre the Enemy's Works, which, on Viewing, I found ſo perfectly ſtrong and well fortified, both by Art and Nature, that I am convinced treble our Numbers would have made it a very doubtful Undertaking. Upon ſignifying my Opinion to the Admiral, it was agreed the Troops ſhould reimbark, which they accordingly did on the 17th, without meeting the leaſt Moleſtation.

Your Lordſhip may be aſſured, that on every favourable Opportunity no Exertions in my Power ſhall be wanting; and I flatter myſelf that the Precautions obſerved on the preſent Occaſion will meet with His Majeſty's Approbation.

Admiralty-Office, February 4, 1781.

Extract of a Letter from Sir George Brydges Rodney, Bart. K. B. and Commander in Chief of His Majeſty's Ships at the Leeward Iſlands, to Mr. Stephens, dated on Board the Sandwich at St. Lucia, December 22, 1780, *received by Captain Edwards, of His Majeſty's Sloop the Hornet.*

IN my laſt Diſpatches ſent by the Anna Thereſa Pacquet on the 13th Inſtant, I acquainted their Lordſhips, that General Vaughan and myſelf intended to undertake an Enterprize which we flattered ourſelves might be attended with Succeſs.

On the 14th Inſtant we ſailed from Gros Iſlet Bay, in Hopes of being able to land the Troops on St. Vincent's the next Morning; but the Currents baffling us, we did not make that Iſland till the 15th in the Evening, and then at ſuch a Diſtance to Windward as not to be diſcovered by the Enemy. We anchored about Two in the Afternoon in Warrawarou Bay. All the Troops and Marines were landed; and before the Day cloſed, General Vaughan

[Price Three pence Halfpenny.]

Vaughan had put the Whole in Motion, and at their Head advanced towards the Enemy's Citadel.

I could eaſily perceive, on my approaching the Iſland, and viewing the Enemy's Works which they had erected upon the Mountain that commands Kingſton Bay and that of Warrawarou, that the Whole appeared in perfect Repair, with a numerous and ſtrong Garriſon. However, ſuch was the Spirit of General Vaughan, that he marched to the Foot of the Works (having diſperſed every Impediment in his Way) and reconnoitred them in every Part, in Hopes to find ſome Place vulnerable, where he might make the Attack with a Probability of Succeſs; but finding they were in every Part complete, I concurred with him in Opinion, that an Attack ought not to be hazarded with the Force which he commanded. The Troops therefore returned to the Beach, and were reimbarked, without the Enemy's daring to move from their Entrenchments.

Dublin Caſtle, January 26, 1781.

His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant has been pleaſed to appoint the following Gentlemen to be High Sheriffs for the preſent Year.

County of Kerry, James Carrigue Ponſonby, of Crotto, Eſq.

County of Lowth, Henry Bellingham, of Caſtlebellingham, Eſq;

Queen's County, George Burdett, of the Heath, Eſq.

Dublin Caſtle, January 29, 1781.

His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant has been pleaſed to appoint the following Gentlemen to be High Sheriffs for the preſent Year.

County of Antrim, Bartholomew Mc. Naghton, of Carringlaſs, Eſq.

County of Tyrone, John Mc. Clintock, of Tahikeel, Eſq

General Poſt-Office, February 3, 1781.

THE Poſt-Boy bringing the Briſtol Mail on Monday Morning the 29th Day of January laſt, from Maidenhead, was ſtopt between Two and Three of the Clock by a ſingle Highwayman, with a Crape over his Face, between the Eleventh and Twelfth Mile-ſtone, near to Cranford-bridge, who preſented a Piſtol to him, and after making him alight, drove away the Horſe and Cart, which were found about Seven o'Clock the ſame Morning the Robbery was committed, in a Meadow Field near Farmer Lott's at Twyford in Middleſex, when it appeared that the greateſt Part of the Letters were taken out of the Bath and Briſtol Bags, and the following Bags entirely taken away.

Pewſey	Wantage	Cheltenham
Calne	Cirenceſter	Fairford
Newbury	Stroud	Lechlade
Trowbridge	Wootton under	Lampeter
Melkſham	Edge	Carmarthen
Bradford	Glouceſter	Tenby
Wallingford	Tewkeſbury	Haverford Weſt
Maidenhead	Hereford	Pembroke
Henley	Leominſter	Abergavenny
Reading	Northleach	

One George Weſton is ſtrongly ſuſpected to be concerned in the above Robbery, he having, between Tueſday the 30th of January and Friday the 2d inſtant, negotiated ſeveral Bank Poſt Bills and Bank Notes, which had been in the Mail, in Leiceſterſhire, Nottinghamſhire, Derbyſhire, Yorkſhire, Northumberland, Lincolnſhire, Huntingdonſhire, and Hertfordſhire, in the Name of James Jackſon, and in Character of a Naval Officer, wearing the exact Uniform of a Midſhipman, viz. a Blue Coat turned up with White, White Waiſtcoat, Yellow Buttons with an Anchor upon them, and a plain cocked Hat with a Cockade in it.

He was purſued from Nottinghamſhire to London, on the direct North Road through Stevenage, Ware and Endfield, and got out of a Poſt-Chaiſe and Four in Biſhopſgate-ſtreet, about Half paſt Ten on Friday Night the 2d Inſtant, immediately took an Hackney Coach, and was ſet down in the firſt Court in Newgate-ſtreet which leads to St. Paul's Church-yard, where he took a Pair of Piſtols and Portmanteau under his Arm, and walked towards the Church-yard.

The ſaid George Weſton is deſcribed to be about Five Feet Six or Seven Inches high, about Twenty-four or Twenty-five Years of Age, his Hair of a lightiſh Brown Colour, cut ſhort before, and tied behind, freſh coloured, pitted with the Small Pox, thin made, ſpeaks quick, and when he arrived in London had Boots on, and a light coloured Great Coat. He lodged at the Coventry Croſs, in Potters fields, Tooley-ſtreet, about Four Months ago, has a Brother named Joſeph Weſton, and both are reputed to be Highwaymen

Whoever ſhall apprehend and convict, or cauſe to be apprehended and convicted, the Perſon who committed this Robbery, will be entitled to a Reward of TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, over and above the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending Highwaymen; or if any Perſon, whether an Accomplice in the Robbery, or knowing thereof, ſhall make Diſcovery, whereby the Perſon who committed the ſame may be apprehended and brought to Juſtice, ſuch Diſcoverer will, upon Conviction of the Party, be entitled to the ſame Reward of TWO HUNDRED POUNDS, and will alſo receive His Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Poſtmaſter-General,
Anth. Todd, *Sec.*

London, February 6, 1781.

NOtice is hereby given to the Officers and Company of His Majeſty's Ship Leviathan, John Brown, Eſq; late Commander, who were actually on Board at the Capture of the Mater Miſericordia, that they will be paid their reſpective Shares of Prize Money ariſing from the Sale of the ſaid Prize, on Thurſday the 22d of February inſtant, at the French Horn in Crutched-friars; and the Shares not then demanded will be recalled the Second Thurſday in every Month, between the Hours of Eleven and Two, at the ſame Place, for Three Years to come, when the uncalled Shares will be paid into Greenwich Hoſpital, agreeable to Act of Parliament.

Wm. Crichton, *for Aretas Akers, Eſq; of St. Chriſtopher's, Agent.*

Royal Exchange Aſſurance Office.
London, Jan. 31, 1781.

THE Court of Directors of the Royal Exchange Aſſurance Company do hereby give Notice, that a General Court of the ſaid Company will be held at their Office on the Royal Exchange, on Wedneſday the 7th of March next, from Twelve o'Clock at Noon till Two in the Afternoon, for the Election of a Deputy-Governor, in the Room of James Tierney, Eſq; deceaſed; which Election will be declared as ſoon as the Scrutiny is over.

Printed Liſts of the Proprietors qualified to vote will be ready to be delivered at the Office, on Wedneſday the 28th of February inſtant.

Admiralty Office, February 6, 1781.

THESE are to give Notice, that a General Court of the Governors of the Charity for the Relief of Poor Widows of Commiſſion and Warrant Officers of the Royal Navy, will be held at this Office on Thurſday the 22d Inſtant, in order to chuſe Two Vice-Preſidents and Fifteen Aſſiſtants for the Year enſuing:

Aſſurance Office, Serjeants-inn, Fleet-ſtreet,
Feb. 6, 1781.

THE Corporation of the Amicable Society for a Perpetual Aſſurance Office doth hereby give Notice, that at Chriſtmas laſt, Old Stile, the ſeveral Members, or their Nominees, upon the Policies numbered as follow, viz. 56, 184, 193, 194, 195, 303, 596, 1150, 1151, 1152, 1282, 1283, 1284, 1320, 1518, *and* 1519, *were* 6*l.* 5*s. in Arrear in their Quarterly Payments or Contributions for One Year and One Quarter of a Year; and that unleſs ſuch Arrears are paid off within the Space of Three Calendar Months after the Publication hereof, ſuch ſeveral Members and their Nominees, and their reſpective Executors, Adminiſtrators and Aſſigns, will, by Virtue of the Supplemental Charter of the ſaid Society, be abſolutely excluded from all Benefit and Advantage from ſuch Policies.*

Joſeph Baldwin, *Regiſter.*

The following BILLS and NOTES were Stolen out of the Mail the 29th Ultimo.

Drawers Names.	Place of Abode.	When dated.	Time.	To whom payable.	On whom.	Sum.	No.
Thomas Mercer,	Kingſwood	15 Jan. 1781	6 Weeks	John Rugg	Blackborn, Tooley-ſtreet	10 5 0	5459
Peach, Kingſton, and Co.	Bath	20 Nov. 1780	7 Days	Embury and Co.	At Langſton and Co.	5 0 0	5457
Miller, Tyndall, and Co.	Briſtol	9 Oct. 1780	7 Days	Richard Jenkins	Preſcot and Co.	5 0 0	5458
Richard Wood.	Glouceſter	20 Jan. 1781	Sight	Thomas Bernard	Lemon and Co.	5 0 0	5460
Brocks and Co's Note.	Melkſham	22 ———	60 Days	Samuel Yeats	William Shones, Mincing-lane	248 12 0	5467
Francis Harding.	Workſhop	1 ———	1 Month	J. and D. Day	Hutton, Jackſon, and Co	75 12 0	5469
Samuel Yeats.	Alderley	29 Dec. 1780	6 Weeks	J. W. Brooks	Mrs Saunders, Baſinghall ſtreet	10 0 0	5471
John Trotman.	Chalford	1 Dec. 1780	2 Months	Robert Hollis	R. Burford	58 0 0	5473
A. Whorton and Co.	Preſton	6 Jan. 1781	2 Months	John Crowe	Denſon and Co.	35 0 0	5475
Peach, Kingſton, and Co.	Bath	17 ———	30 Days	Embury and Co.	Langſton and Co.	307 10 0	5477
John Downes.	Ringwood	20 ———	14 Days	John Cleyes	Pybus and Co.	12 2 8	5483

N. B. If any of the above Bills or Notes are offered for Payment or Negociation, please to ſtop them, and immediately adviſe Meſſ. HALIFAX and Co. Bankers, London, and a handſome Reward will be given.—Payment being ſtopped, they cannot be of any Uſe but to the Owner.

London, January 30, 1781.

IRISH LIFE ANNUITIES,
With Benefit of Survivorſhip.

THE Subſcribers to the Life Annuities, eſtabliſhed in Ireland in the Year 1773, who are to be paid in London, may receive Half a Year's Annuity, due on the 25th of December laſt, at Meſſ. Brown, Collinſon, and Trittons, Bankers, in Lombard-ſtreet.

And alſo the Subſcribers to the Life Annuities, eſtabliſhed in Ireland in the Year 1775, who are to be paid in London, may receive Half a Year's Annuity, due on the 25th of December laſt, at the ſame Place, in the following Manner, viz.

The Firſt Claſs in each, (conſiſting of Nominees of the Age of 40 Years and upwards) from the 6th to the 9th of February, both Days incluſive, from Nine in the Forenoon till Two in the Afternoon.

The Second Claſs in each, (conſiſting of Nominees of the Age of 20 Years and upwards, but under 40) from the 13th to the 16th of February, both Days incluſive.

The Third Claſs in each, (conſiſting of Nominees under the Age of 20 Years) from the 20th of February (the 21ſt excepted) to the 23d ditto, both Days incluſive; and from the 27th ditto to the 2d of March, both Days incluſive.

Thoſe of each Claſs remaining unpaid will be paid every Tueſday, Wedneſday, Thurſday, and Friday following, during the ſame Hours.

The Debentures to be produced, and a Certificate of the Life of the Nominee.

It is particularly requeſted, that upon the Demiſe of any Nominee, that the Debentures may be delivered in as above, to be tranſmitted to Ireland, to render the Liſts of Deaths compleat.

The Public are requeſted to attend to the Days allotted for the Payment of the different Claſſes.

Dartmouth, January 28, 1781.

NOtice is hereby given, that on Tueſday the 27th of February next, between the Hours of Nine in the Morning and Four in the Afternoon, at the Houſe of Mr. John Carter, in Dartmouth, a Final Dividend of Prize Money will be paid, by Meſſ. Pinſon and Leigh, to the Officers and Men who were actually on Board the Dart Privateer, Andrew Smith Commander, at the taking the Spaniſh Ship the Noſtra Signora Del Piedad, on her Paſſage from Buenos Ayres to Cadiz.

Scheme of the Iriſh State Lottery for 1781.

		£.		£.
1	Prize of		—	10,000
2	—	5000	—	10,000
3	—	2000	—	6000
6	—	1000	—	6000
10	—	500	—	5000
50	—	100	—	5000
80	—	50	—	4000
200	—	20	—	4000
5150	—	10	—	1,500
	First drawn First 5 Days,	100 each		500
	Firſt drawn 8th Day	—	—	50
	Firſt drawn 12th Day	—	—	500
	Laſt drawn	—	—	2000

5502 Prizes
15498 Blanks

21000 Tickets, at 5l. — — 105,000

To commence drawing the 26th of March next.

Signed, by Order of the Managers and Directors,
C. and R. DEEY, Secretaries.

Leeds, January 29, 1781.

THE Partnerſhip between Joſiah and Samuel Oates and Son, of Leeds in the County of York, Merchants, was diſſolved on the 30th of December laſt by mutual Conſent; and the Buſineſs is now continued by Samuel Oates and Sons.

Joſiah Oates.
Samuel Oates.
Sam. Hamer Oates.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors and Legatees of Richard Spencer, late of Newman-ſtreet, Oxford-road, Coachmaker, deceaſed, are to come in and prove their ſeveral Debts and claim their reſpective Legacies, before Edward Leeds, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Lincoln's-inn, London, on or before the 1ſt Day of March next, or in Default thereof they will be peremptorily excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors (if any) of Elizabeth Godwin, late of Eaſt Ham in the County of Eſſex, Widow, deceaſed, are forthwith to come in and prove their Debts before John Ord, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Lincoln's-inn, or in Default thereof they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

PUrſuant to an Order of the High Court of Chancery, the next of Kin of Chriſtopher Holdſworth, late of Leeds in the County of York, Clothier, deceaſed, within the Statutes for the Diſtribution of Inteſtates Eſtates, are peremptorily to come in and prove their Kindred before John Ord, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Lincoln's-inn, on or before the 12th Day of March next, or in Default thereof they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Order.

PUrſuant to an Order of the High Court of Chancery, the Perſonal Repreſentatives of the ſeveral deceaſed Children of Catharine Suhring, late of Altona in Germany, are to come in and make out their Claims before Robert Bicknell, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Houſe in Chancery-lane, or in Default thereof they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Order.

PUrſuant to an Order of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors of Chriſtopher Holdſworth, late of Leeds in the County of York, Clothier, deceaſed, are peremptorily to come in and prove their Debts before John Ord, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Lincoln's-inn, on or before the 12th Day of March next, or in Default thereof they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Order.

TO be peremptorily ſold, purſuant to a Decree of His Majeſty's Court of Exchequer at Weſtminſter, bearing Date the 5th Day of June, 1777, and alſo of a ſubſequent Order, bearing Date the 13th Day of November, 1777, (made in a Cauſe, wherein the Right Hon. Lady Caroline Townſhend, Baroneſs of Greenwich, is Plaintiff, and Edward Mainwaring Davies Howorth, Eſq; Defendant) on Friday the 23d of February inſtant, between the Hours of Five and Seven in the Afternoon, (and not on the 8th, as before adverti ſed) before Francis Ingram, Eſq; Deputy Remembrancer of the ſaid Court, at the King's Remembrancer's Office in the Inner Temple, London, Several Freehold Meſſuages, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, (being the Eſtates of the Defendant Howorth) in the Counties of Carmarthen and Radnor. Particulars may be had at the King's Remembrancer's Office aforeſaid.

JOHN Watſon and Richard Burford, both of the Borough of Kidderminſter in the County of Worceſter, Aſſignees to the Eſtate and Effects of William Watſon, late of Kidderminſter aforeſaid, but now of Macclesfield in the County of Cheſter, under an Aſſignment made to them of the ſaid Effects for the equal Benefit of all his Creditors, hereby give Notice, that on Tueſday the 14th of March next, they will make a Second and Final Dividend of the ſaid Effects, at the Houſe of Mr. Benjamin Pearce, the Swan, in the ſaid Borough